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COUNCILMEMBER MARTI EMERALD TO DECLARE **MAY 19, 2014 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) WEEK** **IN THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO**

When: Monday, May 19, 2014, 2:00pm

Where: Council Chambers, 202 C Street, San Diego, 92101

What: Councilmember Emerald to declare the week of May 19, 2014 EMS Week in the City of San Diego.

Who: Marti Emerald, Councilmember, District Nine
Javier Mainar, Fire Chief, San Diego Fire-Rescue Department
Michael Simonsen, Director of Public Affairs, Rural/Metro
Loralee Olejnik, Community Relations Specialist, Rural/Metro Ambulance, San Diego
Project Heart Beat

Why: EMS Week brings together local communities and medical personnel to publicize safety and honor the dedication of those who provide the day-to-day lifesaving services of medicines' front line. On this day, the City will recognize EMS staff consisting of paramedics, emergency medical technicians, firefighters, emergency medical dispatchers, emergency physicians, emergency nurses, educators, administrators, fleet mechanics, and others.

Employees of San Diego Fire-Rescue Department and Rural/Metro successfully work together to provide high quality service to our citizens 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It is important to recognize the innovation, hard work, and coordinated efforts that City and Rural/Metro employees contribute to our EMS program.

“As the Chair of the City’s Public Safety and Livable Neighborhoods Committee, I am committed to providing safe neighborhoods and delivering resources. Access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury and we want to thank all the men and women of EMS who provide quality emergency care to San Diegans,” said Emerald.

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